## IAP20 Rec'UPOT/719 14 DEC 2000

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In repatent application of

Arnd Buchwald

Serial No.: not yet assigned

Examiner: not yet assigned

Filing Date: concurrently

Group Art Unit: not yet assigned

For: USE OF VEGE RECEPTOR GENE OR GENE PRODUCT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of this application and prior to calculating the filing fees, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.